ACTIVITY CALENDAR

DECEMBER

12/1 Catholic Prayer Group 10:30 12/1 Evening Hanukkah Celebration 12/2 Houghtaling School visits 10.00 12/3 Library Time with our pre-school 10:30 12/4 Matinee every Saturday afternoon on the 3rd floor. 12/7 Exercise Class with Marguerite 10:30 12/7 Gospel Singing every Tuesday 1:30 12/7 Knitting Group meets every Tuesday 7:00 pm 12/8 Catholic Mass 11:00 12/8 Monthly Birthday Party with Pioneer Igloo #7 3:00 12/8 Movie Night every Wednesday evening 5:30 12/9 Breakfast with Santa and the Preschool 9:00

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KETCHIKAN PIONEER HOME

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Greetings from the Administrator

Happy Holidays!

Well, it's that time of year again and we are busily preparing for all of the holiday activities. The month of November was filled with fun and meaningful activities for the residents and December looks even more promising!

This is a great time to come and see our beautiful Christmas trees and the wonderful work of the Koons family who graciously agreed to assemble our Christmas village in the first floor Lobby. Our festive decorations coupled with the smell of hot apple cider and fresh baked bread makes us a great place to find some holiday cheer!

We do have some construction projects headed our way so I ask for patience as we continue to work towards making the residents Home a better place to live. There will be some 2nd floor

pipe replacement done this month and then the installation of a security system including multiple video surveillance cameras. Please let me know if you have any questions about these upcoming projects.

Wishing each of you the very best, May your holidays be filled with joy and friendship and may your New Year bring only good things.

Iulie



LOOKING FORWARD

KPH Staff don't forget about our staff Christmas Party! Tickets are available through Roni or LuAnne at the front office. This years party will be at the Sunny Point Conference Center and will begin at 5:30 p.m. on December 18th, there will be a full dinner served at 6:30 p.m. and a slide show presentation of staff photos throughout the year. We will also be handing out State Service award certificates and each ticket holder has a chance to win one of the coveted gift baskets prepared by staff! Tickets are \$15.00 per person. Please join us!



DECEMBER FAMILY DINNER



"Life is not about waiting for the storm to pass...it's about

learning to

dance in

the rain."

 $Vivian\ Green$





New resident Jane Church and daughter Janet Minnich enjoy the family dinner.

Please join us for our monthly family dinner on Thursday, December 16, 2010.

This months menu: Roasted Butternut Squash Soup, Prime Rib au jus, au gratin potatoes, steamed broccoli, roasted stuffed tomato and for dessert Chocolate Mousse Cake Roll. The cost is \$10.00. Please be sure to R.S.V.P as this event is becoming so popular that we may need to start limiting the number of guests and seating families in other dining rooms. Please call Hilary at 228-3372 to make your reservation today. Please also specify whether you prefer to sit in the main dining area or in one of the smaller dining areas.

SOMETHING FISHY...

The residents were so excited this month when they were honored by an appearance by famous artist and author Ray Troll.

The "shark man" was able to provide the residents with a slide show



Ray Troll entertains the residents with his great sense of humor!

of his most recent book,

Something Fishy This Way

Comes. He gave us an abbreviated version of the full slide show which he presented in the community. The book is a compilation of all of his T-shirts now worn all over world. Thanks so much Ray!

KPH VETERANS HONORED

Lori Ortiz's K-Hi Class came by to help honor our Veteran residents. The students made special patriotic placemats for our six Veterans and helped serve

treats, while reading patriotic poems and stories. The residents really appreciated the special attention from students in the community.



NUTCRACKER TEA BRINGS MAGIC TO MANY

The residents were thrilled to host their "annual" Nutcracker Tea Party. The event was well attended by residents, aspiring ballerinas and their grown ups. All of the residents were especially thrilled to see our very own volunteer, Rebecca Rossing, as Clara! We also recognized many past volunteers

and friends. A special thanks to Marguerite Auger for her many years of service to our community and for her commitment to the residents of the KPH! This is KTB's 50th Anniversary and sadly, Marguerite's last year as the director. We wish her the very best and thank her for all of her years of Nutcracker!



Resident Don Finney looks pretty darn happy with his lot in life!



KPH FOUNDATION NEWS

Just a reminder that the Ketchikan Pioneer Home Foundation is a non profit organization whose mission is to help meet resident needs that are not otherwise provided by the State of Alaska.

This month the Foundation

was gracious enough to provide \$500 for Christmas decorations and holiday needs. They also agreed to help fund an additional \$1,000 scholarship for the spring semester Certified Nurse Aide course through UAS.



Resident Louise Lane reads a story during Library Time

Bob Sivertsen Alaire Stanton Nerissa Buendia

A. Fred Miller Bessie Comiskey

Bill Moran Wally Kubley

Ed Zastrow

Cleo Weston Ann Thompson

Terry Wanzer

Mona O'Dell

Fred Monrean Sherrie Slick

Ray Hendricks Tessa Delong



Every Friday our preschoolers are having a special "Library Time with the Grandmas and Grandpas." We start off with story time read by one of the teachers and then each student gets to pick a story to share with their Grandma and Grandpa! Some days it's really easy to love our job!



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The mission of AK Pioneer Homes is to assist older Alaskans to have the highest quality of life by providing assisted living in a safe home setting which promotes positive relationships, meaningful activities, and physical, emotional, and spiritual growth.

12/9 Exercise Class with Marguerite 10:30

12/10 Library Time with our pre-school 10:30

12/12 Compassionate Friends Candle Lighting Ceremony 6:30

12/13 Resident Council meeting 1:3012/14 Historic Ketchikan Slideshow with Richard VanCleave

from the museum 2:15

12/15 Catholic Prayer Group meets 10:30

12/15 Early Bird Bingo 1:15

12/15 Lady Bugs Play and Parade 2:15

12/16 Family Dinner with singing by the K-High

Concert Choir and maybe another special guest! 5:00

12/17 Library Time with the Pre-school 10:30

12/18 3rd Floor exercise 10:30 class and a movie matinee 2:00.

12/20 Low Vision Group meets 10:30

12/20 Piano Lessons with Morgan every Monday 2:30

12/21 Birthday Lunch Bunch noon

12/21 Karaoke 6:00

12/22 Catholic Mass 11:00

12/22 Christmas Bingo 1:30

12/23 Third Floor Evening Crafts and Games every Thursday

12/24 Christmas Eve Ice Cream Social 1:30

12/24 Christmas Carolers from Gateway Baptist Church 6:15

12/28 Exercise Class with Marguerite 10:30

12/28 Gospel Singing 1:30

12/28 KIC Elder's Dinner

12/29 Catholic Prayer Group 10:30

12/29 Movie Night 5:30

12/30 Exercise Class 10:30

12/31 New Year's Eve Party 2:00 pm

HAPPY HANUKKAH



Lillian Ference and friends celebrate Hanukkah with a special dinner and candle lighting.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

RESIDENTS

Lorraine Perry 12/05/1931 Jeanne Vike 12/06/1918

Staff

Vanessa Ohlson 12/03 Marguerite Auger 12/04 Marites Weymiller 12/05 Shonny Cadiente 12/08 Angie Long 12/17 Girlie Mendoza 12/24 Susan Serote 12/25 Mely Buendia 12/31 "May all your future years be free from disappointment, care or strife, that every birthday you will be a little more in love with life."

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TOURING "THE ROCK"



The residents were so happy to have an "impromptu" drive by tour

after their lunch outing of "The Rock" Dave and Judy Rubin's bronze masterpiece. The art is now the focal point of down town and visitors have been enjoying the new art since this summer when it was unveiled on the 4th of July. Our own activity director Hilary

Koch was the model for the Pioneer Woman!



PIE AUCTION ACTION!





Our Rotary Interact students did it again! Thanks to their hard work and incredible organization the students hosted their 2nd Pie Auction on behalf of the resident council. They raised \$2,300! It was such a fun event and there was overwhelming participation from the Rotarians who helped bake pies and attended the auction! Thanks so much to all of your for your hard work on behalf of the residents! The proceeds go to help fund the activity department and is very much appreciated. Way to Go Rotary Interact!